Attn: Sultan Azzam

المجلس الإسلامي
Islamic Council

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HE Admiral William J Crowe Jn
American Embassy

Excellency,

We have learned with concern of the detention by the US authorities of Dr Musa Abu Marzuq, the head of Hamas Political Office, as he arrived in the United States on 25 July.

We understand that there are no grounds whatsoever for his arrest: he was entering the USA legally, with his family on a private visit for the purpose of arranging schooling for his children. He has not violated any US law.

Dr Marzuq is an Islamic leader who is widely respected throughout the Muslim world for leading a legitimate struggle for the rights of the Palestinian people. That struggle has been always confined to Palestinian territory and has never harmed or threatened the interests of the United States.

We call for the immediate and unconditional release of Dr Marzuq and would also welcome your explanation of why he has been treated in this way.

Yours sincerely,

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